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STATUS INQUIRY

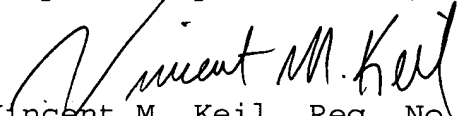
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In the response dated July 23, 2004, to the Status Inquiry filed by applicant on June 14, 2004, the Patent and Trademark Office advised applicants that it would be three (3) to six (6) months before the above-identified application would receive a first Office action.

In light of the fact that more than seven (7) months have now passed since the above-noted response and more than thirty-six (36) months have passed since the filing of this application on February 22, 2002 without correspondence from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application, please advise the undersigned of the current estimate as to when a first Office action might be expected.

Respectfully submitted,


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